THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

WRIT PETITION No.11654 of 2007

Date: 07.06.2007

Between:

K.Tata Reddy and others.

....Petitioner

and

The Superintending Engineer and others.

....Respondents

O R D E R:

Petitioners claim to be the owners of various extents of land of Pasalapudi Village, Rayavaram Mandal, East Godavari District in various survey numbers. They alleged that the respondents are trying to lay a bypass road across their lands, without following the procedure prescribed by law and they prayed for issuance of a writ of Mandamus in this regard.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioners and the learned Government Pleader for Roads and Buildings.

It hardly needs any emphasis that whenever the property of a citizen is needed for any public purpose, the procedure prescribed by law such as by having recourse to the Land Acquisition Act needs to be followed.

At the stage of admission itself, the learned Government Pleader represented that necessary survey was conducted in the area and such of the property as is needed for the road would be taken only after following the procedure prescribed by law.

Hence, the writ petition is disposed of, directing that the petitioners shall not be dispossessed from their respective lands unless the proceedings in accordance with law are initiated and the compensation is paid to them as per law. There shall be no

order as to costs.

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